

## ***SPI POC MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES (July 23, 1997)***

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The Monthly DoN SPI POC Meeting was held on July 23, 1997 at CP5 in Room 536. Attachment A is the meeting agenda, Attachment B is the attendees list. The following minutes highlight the salient issues, discussions, and actions resulting from the meeting:

- Captain Morris opened the meeting by discussing the general status of SPI. He emphasized that the level of (DoN) commitment to SPI has not wavered. Additionally, he mentioned that the acquisition reform office (ARO) has made a concerted effort to buffer SYSCOM representatives from frivolous actions that have typically filtered down for their action/resolution in the past. This philosophy has been adopted by ARO to allow the Navy's field representatives to accomplish their jobs with minimal oversight and interference.
- Captain Morris then prompted SYSCOM representatives to report the status of SPI within their respective commands. While the consensus from the group's presentations was positive overall, it was generally noted that interest and enthusiasm has decreased from previous levels. Further discussion on this topic revealed that the increased workload, limited resources, and time management complications (resulting from SPI participation) contribute to this sentiment.
- The DoD SPI Strategic Plan working group notes were presented for group discussion and comment. As discussed, the strategic plan is an attempt to focus SPI goals and objectives and map the future of the initiative. It was agreed by all that a strategic plan is needed to focus and coordinate this initiative throughout its remaining phases.

Follow-on discussion ensued as to whether or not SPI is planned as a permanent acquisition reform tool. It was explained that SPI is an "interim" initiative that is geared towards streamlining contractor manufacturing efforts and generating cost savings/avoidance in existing and future contracts. It was further explained that SPI helps to pave the way for eventual transition to performance based acquisitions by allowing contractors to recommend and (when approved) use their processes, and easing the government's oversight responsibility.

## ***ACTIONS***

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- There were no action items assigned as a result of this meeting.
- **The next meeting is scheduled for 17 Sept 97, 0900.**

**SPI POC Meeting Agenda**  
**Thursday, July 23, 1997 9:00**  
**Rm 538 CP5**

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**Opening Comments:** Captain Lou Morris

**SPI Activity Briefs:** NAVAIR  
NAVSEA  
MARCOR  
NAVSUP  
SPAWAR  
PMS400(SC)

**SPI Issues:** DoD SPI Strategic Plan inputs  
(need SYSCOM inputs/recommendations to  
improve SPI process/thoughts on future of SPI)

Open Forum – Questions, Concerns

**Adjourn**

**ATTENDEES**  
**July 23, 1997**

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Attachment B